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II—Fire Funds £3,897,047
III—Life & Annuity Funds £17,567,590
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Revenue Fire Branch £2,381,456
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Branches £37,239
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THE WAR.

TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

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**FIGHTING VALUE OF NEW
SMALL TANKS.**

SHOWN IN RECENT BATTLE.

A VAST IMPROVEMENT ON
THE OLD DESIGN.

London, June 30.

Reuter's Correspondent at French
Headquarters describes the import-
ant part played in the battle of the
25th between the Aisne and the
Villers-Corbiere Forest by the new
small tanks which were for the first
time, engaged in considerable force.
He says:

They are about a quarter of the
size and weight of the ordinary battle
tank and carry a crew of two, of
whom one steers and the other
operates the gun and machine-guns.
The new tanks are much faster than
the ordinary tanks, and can climb
a slope which the latter could not
attempt, and can be swung com-
pletely round in their tracks in a few
seconds. Their small size and high
speed naturally make them a more
difficult target for the enemy's arti-
llery than the heavy tanks.

The fighting on the 25th centred
mainly round Hill 162 and the Cutry
Ravine. Hill 162 is the highest
point in the region. Its possession
enables us to overlook the enemy's
positions in the rear. The Cutry
Ravine is a small deep valley im-
mediately to the north of Hill 162.
Its value for the enemy lay in the
fact that it contains deep subter-
anean quarries in which he was able
to keep large garrisons in dangerous
proximity to our lines and safe from
our guns. On each side of the Cutry
Ravine the ground rises steeply 300
feet. Farther to the left the right
slope is less sharp and the tanks
were able to crawl up.

The French infantry stormed the
cliff-like ascent on each side and
passed round the head of the ravine.
They continued their advance to a
mile from the starting line in the
valley. The majority of the 1,200
prisoners were taken in the ravine.
The operation was effected without
preparation. All our objectives were
occupied, despite the nature of the
ground, within half-an-hour of the
opening barrage and before the
enemy had time to organise a resist-
ance. The ground on the right of the
three poplars was actually taken by
a charge of the light tanks, which
crossed amid a hail of machine-gun
bullets, the infantry following. The
tanks were accompanied by the in-
fantry, who took the Cutry Ravine,
and they rolled along the edge of the
ravine, firing down among the Ger-
mans crossing the plateau. Although
exposed to very heavy artillery firing,
the tanks continued to assist the
infantry throughout the engagement,
one remaining under fire for over
four hours.

**COUNTER-ATTACKS AGAINST
FRENCH FAIL.**

London, June 29.

A French communiqué states:—
The Germans twice attempted to
drive us from the positions we cap-
tured yesterday.

A counter-attack by several bat-
talions between Fosse-en-Bas and
Havin-de-Cutry was repulsed, and
our new front was maintained in its
entirety. South-west of Rethel
lively fighting occurred.
In the Fontaine-de-Billy sector
the Italians drove back detachments
which obtained a footing on the
advanced elements.

**MOST DEBATABLE POINT
OF THE FRONT.**

HOW THE BRITISH CAPTURED IT.

A BRILLIANTLY CARRIED OUT
OFFENSIVE.

London, June 28.

Reuter's Correspondent at British
Headquarters, telegraphing this even-
ing, says:—

We successfully advanced this
morning nearly a mile, capturing
ground at the most debatable point
of the battle front, just west of Bois
debut, which forms the north-west
angle of Niéppe Forest. This was
the point in the last Flanders offen-
sive at which the enemy thrust was
the hardest, in order to bring off a
dramatic attack on to the high ground
east of Kemmel. His possession of
the Forest would have opened the
way to an advance on Hazebrouk,
entailing possible retirement from
Ypres and the dismemberment of
our forces holding the hilly country
between Cassel and Scherpenberg.

The enemy's former attempts in
that direction, though frustrated,
rendered our position grumbling for
future operations. This morning's
advance was, therefore, designed to
enlarge our holding. The attack was
launched at six o'clock on a front
of 6,000 yards from Vieux-Berquin
on the left to Font Tournant on the
right. The objective was the line of
a small street named Plate Beque,
1,500 yards away, which was attain-
ed completely and without hitch or
controntemps.

The Lancashire and Yorkshire
troops were engaged, and also those
from the Southern Counties. The
enemy made a fight, but never looked
to have a chance of winning. His
losses must have been considerable.

We took 250 prisoners in the main
attack, besides 44 in the attack north
of Plate Beque and six machine-
guns. The prisoners belonged to the
"thirty-second Saxon and the Forty-
fourth Prussian Reserve Divisions,
some of whom were poor specimens
of men and soldiers. They report a
considerable outbreak of influenza
among German troops.

Our losses were very light until
Beque was reached when two farms
houses, defended by machine-guns,
gave trouble. The operation, on the
whole, could hardly have been more
successful.

BRITISH AERIAL SUPREMACY.

CONTINUED ACTIVITY.

London, June 30.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig,
reporting on aviation, says:—

Hostile aerial activity on the 29th
was not great, but we destroyed nine
machines and drove down eight.
Five British machines are missing.
We carried out much important
reconnaissance work.

We dropped 164 tons of bombs
during the day on the railways at
Lille, Courtrai, Comines and
Estaires. There was mutual bomb-
ing at night. The enemy did prac-
tically no damage and lost a machine.

We dropped 18 tons of bombs of
which eight tons fell on railway con-
nections at Tournai. All the British
night-fliers returned.

FRENCH IMPROVE POSITIONS.

London, July 1.

A French communiqué states:—
South of the Aisne we improved
our positions in the region of St.
Pierre Aigle and took 100 prisoners.
It is quiet elsewhere.

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INTIMATIONS

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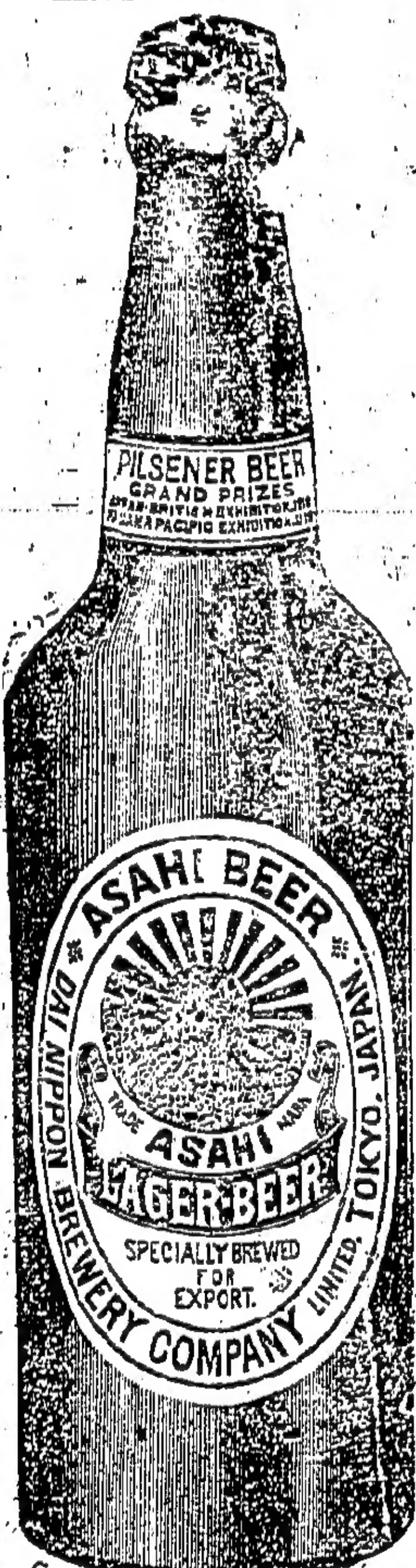
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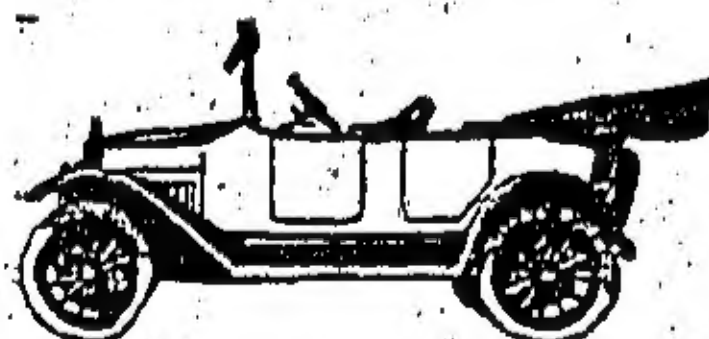
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To-day's Advertisements

PUBLIC AUCTION.
The Undersigned have received instructions from R. J. STEVENSON, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, on

FRIDAY,
the 12th July, 1918, commencing at 11 a.m., at "Tourelle," North Point, (near Government Quarry),
THE WHOLE OF THE
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE,
consisting of—

—Massive Oakwood Sideboard, Dinner
Wagon, Extension Dining Table and
Chairs, Curio Cabinet, Crockery and
Glassware, Electroplated and Silver
Dishes, Vases, &c., Carpets and Curtains,
&c., &c. 3 Single Beds, 2 Double Beds,
Wardrobe (bevelled mirror), Chest of
Drawers, a quantity of Rattan Furni-
ture, tea Chests, &c., &c.
Consisting of—
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ture, tea Chests, &c., &c.

PIANO by Grover & Grover, London,
and a GRAMOPHONE and RECORDS.
In view from Thursday, the 11th inst.
Catalogue will be issued.
Terms—Cash.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, July 2, 1918.

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.
From SAN FRANCISCO via
HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS AND
SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship
"SHINYO MARU,"
The above named Steamship having
arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby
notified to send in their Bills of Lading for
receiving charges, and to take immediate
delivery from alongside.
Cargo remaining undelivered on
4th July, 1918, at 5 p.m. will be
landed at Consignees' risk and expense,
and delivery must then be taken from the
Company's Godown.
Stores remaining undelivered on 6th
July, 1918, at 5 p.m.
No Fire Insurance whatever will be
effected.
No claim will be recognised after the
Goods have left the Steamer or Godown.
All checked and damaged Cargo will
be landed into the Company's Godown,
where they will be examined on 6th
July, 1918, at 10 a.m.
No claim will be recognised if filed
after the 15th July, 1918.
T. DAIGO,
Manager.
Hongkong, July 2, 1918.

KODAKS
and FILMS,
PLATES
and PAPER,
DEVELOPING & PRINTING
UNDERTAKEN.
A. TACK & CO.,
26, Des Voeux Road Central.

THE CALENDAR.

MEM'S. FOR TOMORROW.
11.30 a.m.—Hongkong Steel Foundry
Co. meeting.
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household
Items, &c. at Hughes & Hough.
3.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture &c.
at Hughes & Hough.

GENERAL REMORANDA.
Thursday, July 4.—
American Independence Day.
Sunday, July 14.—
French National Fete Day.

QUAZON TYPE NOT
NECESSARY.
CHAMBERLAIN'S Colic, Cholera and
Diarrhoea Remedy needs no glowing
testimonials to attract the public eye. The
simple statement that all chemists sell
this sufficient, as every family knows
the value. It has been used for forty
years, and just what is name implies.
For sale by all Chemists and Stores
everywhere.

the patriotic work of men like Ch. Chien will have been wasted and it will be difficult to discern at what stage the Peking Government will stop in its frantic efforts to raise money. For "a certain country" — whichever it may be — to hold out such a glittering bait as \$20,000,000 to a Government in dire need of money, with little scruple as to how it is acquired, for a concession which can only be for the enrichment of the mortgagee, to the untold detriment of China, can hardly synchronise with a profession of sympathy and willingness to help China on to prosperity and contentment.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The new building for the Japanese Diet is estimated to cost ¥7,500,000.

The General Military Service Tribunal is to hold its first meeting in the Council Chamber at 3.30 p.m. to-morrow.

Five cases of cerebro-spinal fever (three fatal), 4 fatal cases of plague and one fatal case of anterior fever were reported in the Colony yesterday.

The Customs passport examiners at the Harbin station recently arrested two Germans from Shanghai who were carrying Russian passports which were issued in Shanghai. A German from Tientsin with a German passport has also been arrested.

A new British enterprise at Shanghai is the China Pencil Company Ltd. The company was conceived and originated by Mr. S. M. S. Gubbay, managing director, and Mr. Frank W. White, the secretary, and was incorporated April 18, 1917 at Hongkong, as a British limited liability company for the manufacture of lead pencils and erasables. The paid-up capital is \$100,000, consisting of 10,000 shares of \$10 each. The directors are Messrs. Percy Tilley, A. Black, R. S. Dugal, S. M. S. Gubbay, Chang Yau-liang, Frank W. White and Chih-lin. The installation, if the present is capable of turning out 100 gross of pencils a day. The wood and graphite used in the manufacture of the pencils comes from America, and the management states that they will be able to compete with the best pencils in the market. Blacklead pencils, carpenter's pencils, coloured pencils, indelible pencils, coloured chalks, crayons, penholders, pencil and ink erasers will be manufactured by the company.

THE WANCHAI MURDER.

THE FUNERAL OF LATE PETTY OFFICER ADAMS.

The funeral of the late Petty Officer Adams took place, at 4.30 p.m. yesterday, at Happy Valley and in spite of the rain which came down in torrents all the way from the Royal Naval Hospital to the Cemetery, there was a very large number of mourners present. The coffin was covered with a profusion of floral tributes and was borne on a gun-carriage, drawn by deceased's comrades. Immediately preceding it marched the firing-party composed of men of H.M. ships under command of Lieut. Leese, R.N.R. The Rev. F. G. Hastings, Naval Chaplain, conducted the service at the graveside, and at the conclusion three volleys were fired over the grave and the "Last Post" was sounded.

Amongst those present were Commodore Gurney and Commander Gibson. Amongst those who sent wreaths were: H.M. ships in Harbour; Dockyard Police Mess; Committee, Royal Naval Canton; R.N. Yard Police; R.N. Quadrilla Club; Dockyard Recreation Club, the Naval Yard; Royal Marines; Mr. F. C. Jenkins, D.S.P. (R.); Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Blake, Mr. J. C. Wilson, Mr. J. Spillsbury, Gaudy, Price & Co., and Mr. East.

HONGKONG TRAMWAY CO., LTD.

The approximate statement of traffic receipts for the week ending 29th June is as follows:

	Receipts for week.	Aggregate Receipts for 26 weeks.
This year	18,000	246,112
Last year	12,300	244,649
Increase	5,700	2,463
Decrease	2,731	2,054

The rainfall of Sunday and Monday totalled 4.30 inches, according to the Observatory measurements.

THE SUPREME COURT.

AN ADMINISTRATION QUESTION.

INTERESTING POINT ON CHINESE CUSTOM.

In the Supreme Court this morning, before Sir William Rees Davies, K. C. Chief Justice, application was made for a decision of the Court on the question of the right of the eldest son of a deceased intestate father, one Ho Chun Sun, to a double share of deceased's property, according to Chinese Custom, the Full Court, some time back, having held that Chinese law and custom applied.

The Hon Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., instructed by Mr. Mattingly of Messrs. Deacon, Looker, Deacon and Hariton, appeared on behalf of the plaintiffs Ho Au Shi and Yeung Tai Chi. Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. Bulmer Johnston, of Messrs. Deacons, and Bowler, appeared for the defendant, Mr. C. G. Alabaster, instructed by Mr. Agassiz, appeared for the second defendant, and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. Davidson of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, appeared for the nine children of the deceased.

There was considerable discussion prior to the opening of the case as to which side had the right to begin. Mr. Pollock held that since he represented the plaintiffs in the case and also that the matter was set down by their Lordships for further consideration on the application of the plaintiffs, he had the right to begin; on the other hand, Mr. Eldon Potter argued that he represented the claimants in the case and therefore had the right to begin.

His Lordship said: "The only point I have to decide is whether the eldest son of a deceased and intestate father takes two shares of the property."

Mr. Pollock: It is rather a question as to what share do the sons respectively take.

After a lengthy argument, His Lordship held that the onus was upon Mr. Potter to prove his claim, and therefore he had the right to begin. Mr. Pollock said that he thought it would be better to take the evidence of Mr. S. B. C. Ross, the Postmaster General, first, as His Lordship would be more clear on the facts after Mr. Ross had been cross examined.

Mr. Eldon Potter agreed. In reply to Mr. Pollock, Mr. Ross said it was almost invariably the custom for the eldest son of an intestate father to take two shares in the property, but that did not apply to the whole of China. One share was given in respect of the grandson. When he (witness) referred to "law" in an affidavit sworn by him he did not have in mind the Tai Tang Lai Lai. That was the Criminal Code used up to the last Manchu Dynasty.

Mr. Pollock: It is a law code, is it not, a criminal code?

Mr. Ross: Every law in Chinese is really criminal, because a man might not be doing his duty to the State. Continuing witness said he had read the Tai Tang Lai Lai many times, but he did not make a special reference to it in connection with this case. He had read it, before he filed the affidavit, about ten years ago. He was aware that the Tai Tang Lai Lai dealt with the distribution of intestate's estates on death. He did not remember that the Tai Tang Lai Lai laid it down that the estate should go equally to deceased's sons. He knew there was a chapter on that point. These matters were always settled by the elders of the deceased's village according to the custom of that village. He used the term "law" and "custom" because he was told that that term must be used in the affidavit. If the case were being heard in Chinese there could be no dispute between "law" and "custom." Chinese would understand at once what was implied. The deceased, in the present case, being a native of the village of Nam Chun, the elders of that village would deal with the estate according to the custom of the village. He had always assumed the existence of an ancestral estate for which allowance must be made. It would be unthinkable to the Chinese mind that there should be no ancestral fund. The Court had declared the deceased intestate, but was not to decide in China with regard to ancestral property. There was no such thing in China, in the English sense of the term. First there is the ancestral property, or fund, which goes to the eldest son; then he also has a double share in the residue. It would be a most monstrous idea to a Chinese to divide the ancestral fund.

In the reply to Mr. Alabaster, Mr. Ross said if the elders of a village do know the law, they would still follow the custom of their village and not the law. The case is proceeding.

CAUSES AND CURE FOR DIARRHOEA.

OVEREATING, a change in the temperature, a change in the water, and a change in the food, are the causes of diarrhoea. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is the only cure for all these ailments. For sale by all Chemists and Stores.

BRITAIN AND THE YANGTZE SPHERE.

ACQUISITION OF IRON MINES BY A JAPANESE SYNDICATE.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, July 1.
In the House of Commons, replying to a series of questions by Sir Charles Hobhouse, the Foreign Under Secretary said the Government are aware of negotiations proceeding for the acquisition by a Japanese syndicate of the Feng Huangshan Iron Mines, but has no official information that the negotiations have been concluded. The mines are situated in the Yangtze River area which His Majesty's Government had always regarded as their special sphere of interest in China in the sense that British subjects possess a prior claim to favourable consideration by the Chinese authorities of applications they make for industrial concessions in that region, but they think that neither British nor any other foreign claim to spheres of interest in China should be pressed inconsiderately with the principle of the open door. Neither the British Ambassador nor the Foreign Office had been consulted in the matter.

THE MAGISTRACY.

UNSTAMPED LETTERS.

Whilst coming off a Canton steamer last night, a Chinese was arrested by a preventive officer and nine unstamped letters were found in his shoes.

When brought before Mr. J. R. Wood this morning, defendant pleaded guilty, stating that he had no excuse to offer. His Worship fined the defendant \$18 or 21 days' hard labour.

ALLEGED THEFT OF A BICYCLE.

John Constantino, a Greek cigarette hawk, was charged on remand with the theft of a bicycle.

At a previous hearing, it was alleged that the defendant was seen by a witness riding the bicycle along Nathan Road.

Defendant said he never rode a bicycle in all his life. On the day in question, he was at the City Hall waiting to see the Secretary of the Benevolent Society and spoke to her until a little after 11 o'clock. He hoped His Worship would make enquiries to find out the truth.

After further evidence His Worship discharged the defendant.

THE WOOD ROAD ROBBERY.

Lai Hon Hong, an Admiral of Lung Chai Kwong's fleet, was charged on remand, with being a confederate in the armed robbery at Wood Road recently.

Mr. Hall, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, said that in view of the fact that his client had been in goal over a month he hoped the Magistrate would either fix a date or reduce the bail.

His Worship (Mr. Wolfe) reduced the bail to \$2,000.

AN OPIUM CASE.

A Chinese was charged with being in unlawful possession of five taels, five mace and eight canderees of opium.

A loking said the defendant carried the opium in two biscuit boxes.

Mr. Goldring, who appeared for the defendant, said his client bought the opium for the use of his coolies. The law allowed him five taels.

After evidence had been heard, his Worship said he believed defendant's story to be a reasonable one. The defendant was discharged and the excess opium confiscated.

HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

Orders issued by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, C.P.E.

POLICE SCHOOL.

All members of No. 2 Co. (except those on duty) who did not attend for examination on June 21st or 24th will attend on Thursday next, July 4th. Platoon Inspectors will attend.

RECRUITS.
Recruits of all units, other than those attached or transferred from H.K. Defence Corps, will parade under the Sergeant-Major at Central Station at 5.30 p.m. on Mondays and Fridays until posted out. Uniform and helmet.

The first parade will take place on Friday, July 5th.

HAVE PRACTICES 6 P.M.
Fridays, July 5th, 12th and 19th.
Tuesdays, July 9th and 16th.
By Order.

T. F. HOGAN,
A.S.P. (R) and Adjutant.
Hongkong, July 2nd, 1918.

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GREAT OPIUM SEIZURE AT MANILA.

HALF A MILLION DOLLARS' WORTH INTERCEPTED.

(The Manila Free Press of the 26th ult.)

With all the accompaniments of medieval piracy, disguise, rendezvous, boat-thieving and exchange of shots, the Customs Secret Service intercepted contraband opium from the steamer *Fuenyung* on Sunday morning valued at half a million pesos, opium which the smugglers attempted to land some distance beyond Mariveles and with which the five men bired to fetch it ashore were caught red-handed. It is expected their confessions will lead to the rounding up of the "higher-ups" — rich Chinese merchants and possibly involving officials of the government occupying exalted positions.

The story is told in greater detail as follows:—Captain Arlegui, Chief of the Secret Service Division of the Bureau of Customs, knew this shipment was to come in for some time past, and he had been studying the case carefully, the results of four days of anxious and watchful waiting on the part of his agents.

These agents were sent to Mariveles Thursday morning, provided with maps of that part of the coast and sea, down to scale. They were ordered to disguise themselves as fishermen, which they did, and to keep in communicating distance of the telegraph office, which they also did. Sunday morning, having diligently tended their nets for three days, they received the orders which were to make them fishers of men. They were told to look out for the *Fuenyung*, coming in from Hongkong, and to meet her well out beyond the channel. Twelve men were retained as oarsmen and the agents proceeded to the route which the *Fuenyung* must take in getting into the bay.

It was after midnight, and five men in two boats were the agents. At five in the morning the *Fuenyung* appeared. On the poop was a Celestial, giving off into the golden dawn. Near his side, apparently as wrapped in wonder at the coming day, was a member of the *Fuenyung's* crew. Near them was a goodly-sized bundle, and a goodly bundle, forsooth. Almost without thought, and certainly without second thought, the Celestial and his companion lowered it over the vessel's stern. What was it? Only an empty oil box, with two empty oil cans on the other side two rice sacks filled with 1,900 tins of opium, valued at not less than \$500,000.

The five men in the two bancas made straight for the bundle and got it into one of their boats, then they stopped fishing. The secret service agents made straight for the five men in the two bancas, and likewise, lost interest in fishing.

A race for life ensued. A small launch put out from shore, made for the pursuing agents and opened fire on them. The agents drew their revolvers and returned the fire. Forty or fifty shots were exchanged. The launch retired, discomfited, and the agents looked about them, only to find their oarsmen had ducked into the sea, believing the Huas were upon them.

But the agents had been fishermen. They could now be oarsmen. The pursuit continued with the agents gradually gaining on the contrabandists. Presently they were close enough to overhaul them, and in desperation, fearing to be "caught with the goods on them," the fleeing smugglers dumped the opium into the sea, first putting it loose from its buoy. Down it went, 15 feet of water. One of the agents, Palao, an expert diver, marked the spot with his practiced eye. The smugglers were overhauled and arrested and placed in the Mariveles jail.

This done, the agents returned to the spot where the opium had been dumped overboard from the banca. For eight straight and steady hours Palao dived for the treasure, at last bringing it triumphantly up with him, after almost despairing of ever locating it. His companions had no little trouble in hauling him up with it. Palao weighs 170 pounds; the opium weighed not less than 300 pounds, after its bath in the sea. Having recovered it, however, the agents went back to Mariveles, and telegraphed back: "We met the enemy and he is ours," and after a night's rest returned to Manila with the spoils of victory.

One half million pesos worth of opium is the biggest opium haul made in a decade and one of the biggest hauls made in the history of the Islands.

Later reports state that the investigation has revealed the opium gang to be a quasi corporation, with agencies both in Manila and in Hongkong. The early arrest of a very well-known Filipino was expected in connection with the gigantic attempt to smuggle the prohibited drug into Manila.

On June 15th a haul of 500 tins of contraband opium was made at Zamboanga, by agents Lamby and Penlar. This was being smuggled by Moron and Chinese.

When the last mail left Manila the officers of the *Fuenyung* were under summons to appear at the Customs House for investigation. The point at issue is the alleged change of route of the vessel. The Acting Collector, in possession of information to the effect that the *Fuenyung* made a substantial detour from the regular route of vessels from Hongkong, the supposed object having been to get in closer to shore. If the vessel is found to have been implicated, it is believed, says our Manila contemporary, that the "higher-ups" will be a heavy one. Meanwhile no charges will be laid.

CONSCRIPTION FOR MALAYA.

It is now nine months since the Military Service Bill was introduced in the Straits Settlements Legislative Council, says the "Malay Mail," and six months since in an amended form it became law.

Medical examinations under the Ordinance have taken place in the Colony. Whether they have been completed yet, we do not know. The statistics were incomplete two months ago. The objects and reasons of the Bill stated that the Bill would enable the Government to know the number of persons in the Colony affected by the Bill who are of military age, the number of such persons who are fit for the military work described in each of the three classes set out in the Army Council Instruction of 1917, and the circumstances which were material to be considered in determining whether any such person should be employed in war services beyond the Colony, when occasion arose for determining the question. We may take it, we think, that the cession has been made. Malaya has sensibly been to the fore where military service was concerned. And the Straits Settlements would hardly be willing to lag behind Hongkong. The Colonial Government, therefore, may thank its lucky stars that it is adopted in the nick-of-time the registration (or Derby scheme) measure which unofficial opinion advocated three years ago.

The position of the F.M.S. in the event of the enactment of a Conscription Ordinance in the Colony offers material for speculation. The passage of the Military Service Bill through the Legislative Council was followed by the introduction of the Registration and Medical Examination Bill in the Federal Council. This was passed on April 6th. More than two months have elapsed, yet apparently there has not been the slightest attempt to carry out its provisions. It is possible that the local authorities have been working time in anticipation of a Conscription Bill. But the whole object of the Registration Bill was to save time. Speaking in the Federal Council in support of this Bill, H.E. Sir Arthur Young said (in reference to the Singapore statistics):—"Now we have certain information, useful information to Government, it may be decided at any time that there shall be practical completion for men to go to the Front from here." His Excellency went on to describe the F.M.S. Bill as a useful Bill in that it would save time hereafter in ascertaining who was fit and who was not fit to go to the Front. And yet nothing so far has been done. The Registration Bill has not even been brought into force by publication in the "Gazette." If it takes six or eight months to collect the necessary statistics in the Colony, it will certainly take longer in the F.M.S. With so esteemed a population, more time will have to be allowed for filling up and sending in returns, and the medical examinations will occupy more time. The attitude of Government towards the Malaya Man-Power question has hitherto been Sphinx-like. If it now decides to come out in the open and introduce a conscription measure, the decision, we think, will be generally welcomed. Everyone knows that a certain number of men must be kept for defence purposes and certain others for essential industries. How many men must be kept, what constitutes an essential industry, in other words, who is indispensable and who is not, this the Government, and the Government alone, can decide. Herein we agree with the "Free Press" against its correspondent "Commonsense." The latter made certain sound points in his letter, which we reproduced yesterday. But we imagine that the "several hundred indispensable men" of whom he writes would rather go before a tribunal and have their position settled once and for all than continue to endure the undesired gibes of anonymous writers in the public Press. Sir Arthur Young has told us that in Singapore there are 330 Class A men, of whom a certain proportion are indispensable. The four States of the Federation have between them given twelve hundred men to the Imperial Forces. How many eligible men remain, no one can say. It has been suggested to us that there are more estate assistants in the country than are needed. It may be so, and in that case more men might be spared. But we feel quite certain that practically all who intend to go have gone. Only legislation will move the others.

MME. JONESCU DIES AS RESULT OF RIDING ACCIDENT.

Mme. Jonescu, wife of the Romanian stationer, M. Take Jonescu, was thrown from her horse at the Serpentine bridge in Hyde Park recently, and sustained severe injuries to her skull.

Mme. Jonescu was conveyed to St. Mary's Hospital, Paddington, where she died. Much sympathy was expressed for her husband, who was summoned from Paris. Mme. Jonescu was of English birth.

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TELEGRAMS.

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BRITISH AND FRENCH AERIAL ACTIVITY.

FINE AERIAL ACHIEVEMENTS.

A French communiqué states:—
On the 28th and 29th 15 enemy aeroplanes were brought down and 19 others put out of action. Two captive balloons were set on fire.
Our bombing planes during the same period carried out day and night raids in which 47 tons of bombs were successfully dropped on aerodromes on the Somme, bivouacs at Rœux, the Bray region, valley of the Aisne, railway stations at Soissons, Fère-en-Tardenois, etc.
Moreover, five tons of explosives were dropped on the 28th on German troops preparing a counter-attack in the Ouchy region.
Lieutenant Fobek brought down three enemy aeroplanes on the 26th and two on the 27th, making his official total 49.
Bombing squadrons do good work.

AERIAL ACTIVITY IN THE BALKANS.

Two Air Ministry, in an official report, states:—
Bombing squadrons on Saturday night attacked the railway works at Thiville, the sidings at Metzaphon and the aerodromes at Essey and Boulay and other objectives. Misses prevented observation of the results. We dropped many bombs on Sunday on the Haguenau aerodrome with good results, and also the barracks and station of Landau. We destroyed three hostile machines over Landau.
Two British machines are missing.

BATTLE IN ITALY.

ITALIANS CAPTURE MONTE VALBELLA.
PIERCE ENEMY ATTACKS TAIL.

THE AUSTRIAN REPORT.

A wireless Austrian official report claims that the Italian attacks on Monte Valbella were completely repulsed.

AUSTRIA'S ATTEMPT TO MINIMISE LOSSES.

INTERESTING ITALIAN REPLY.
Rome, July 1.
A semi-official reply to Dr. von Wekerle's speech declares that the latter constitutes an official admission of the immense gravity of the Austrian disaster. Dr. von Wekerle tries to soothe public opinion by doubling the Italian and halving the Austrian losses. Dr. Wekerle asserted that only 70 regiments, otherwise 200,000 men, participated in the battle. Therefore, the Austro-Hungarian losses, on his showing, were 50 per cent, but Austrian prisoners are agreed in stating that 42 divisions, otherwise 400,000 men, were engaged. Therefore Dr. Wekerle's proportions, as corrected, show that the Austro-Hungarian losses were 200,000. Moreover, we took 10,000 and not 12,000 prisoners.

AUSTRIAN CABINET CRISIS.

EMPEROR DECLINES SEIDLER'S RESIGNATION.

VIENNA, June 29.
A message from Vienna says the Emperor Karl has again refused to accept the resignation of Dr. von Seidler and his Ministry, and it announces the convocation of the Reichsrat.

HUNGARIAN PREMIER'S SPEECH CREATES A SENSATION.

LONDON, June 30.
The sensation created in Austria by the Hungarian Premier's speech is shown by the fact that the official communiqué, which this morning arrived before the report of the speech.

SERIOUS FOOD PROBLEM IN AUSTRIA.

EMPEROR KARL WRITES TO KAISER.

A telegram from Vienna says the Emperor Karl writing to the Kaiser, asking for the insupportable difficulties of food shortages has sent a letter to the Kaiser on the matter. A conference has occurred at main Headquarters, the Hungarian Food Minister participating.

AUSTRO-GERMAN SOCIALISTS AND PEACE.

ENTENTE SOCIALISTS' MEMORANDUM NOT FAVOURED.

RUMANIA'S PEACE TREATY.

GENERAL AVERESCU AND FOUR DEPUTIES OPPOSE IT.

RUMOURS OF MURDER OF EX-TSAR NOT TRUE.

DESIGNED TO INCITE THE PUBLIC.

RUSSIA'S BLACK SEA FLEET.

HOW GERMANY JUSTIFIES THE SEIZURE.

AMSTERDAM, June 29.

A Berlin semi-official message, describing the events leading to the seizure of the Black Sea Fleet, alleges a contravention of the Peace Treaty by the Fleet's continued activity.

THE PRICE OF COTTON.

COTTON IS QUOTED AT 11s. 1d.

GERMAN POTATO RATION REDUCED.

AMSTERDAM, June 30.

It is officially announced in Berlin that the potato ration is reduced from 7 to 5 pounds a week. Four hundred grammes of cereals are substituted.

EX-COMMANDER OF BALTIC FLEET SENTENCED TO DEATH.

MOSCOW, June 30.
The Bolshevik Court has sentenced to death Captain Stehany, ex-Commander of the Baltic Fleet, on a charge of opposing and discrediting the Soviet rule. General Kiyenko was the prosecutor.
The Central Executive Committee of the Soviets has dismissed the appeal against the sentence.

AMSTERDAM, June 29.

A message from Harbin, dated the 16th, confirms the report that Austrian German ex-prisoners have occupied Irkutsk.

KERENSKY IN PARIS.

LONDON, June 30.

M. Kerensky is in Paris.

EXPORT OF NEW POTATOES FROM HOLLAND.

TO BE DISTRIBUTED AMONG BELLIGERENTS.

THE HAGUE, June 30.

An official report states the Government has agreed that the export of new potatoes will be equally distributed among the belligerents.

50,000 TONS OF GERMAN COAL FOR HOLLAND.

PROTEST AGAINST THE EXPORT.

AMSTERDAM, June 30.

The Telegraf says new potatoes are already being exported to Germany at the rate of 50 wagon loads daily. The Telegraf protests against the export because a famine is expected in Holland in winter.

LIMBURG RAILWAY TRAFFIC.

NOT RESTRICTED TO GOODS FOR CIVIL USE.

THE HAGUE, June 30.

It is semi-officially stated that the transport of German goods over the Limburg Railway is not restricted to goods for civil use in Belgium.

AMERICA'S INCREASED WAR EXPENDITURE.

TWO MEASURES PASSED.

WASHINGTON, June 30.

The Senate has unanimously passed the Fortifications Bill, which entails an expenditure of 2,408 million dollars, and provides for an enormous increase in the manufacture of ordnance supplies.

The Senate also passed the Army Appropriations Bill providing for an expenditure of 12,080 million dollars.

Both measures will now go before the conference of both Houses.

ECHO OF BILLING CASE.

AMSTERDAM, June 30.

The Berlin newspapers state that Prince Wied first heard of the alleged existence of the "black book" mentioned in the Billing case on June 4th through newspaper reports of the trial.

BRITISH REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE.

LONDON, June 29.

The revenue for the quarter was £155,753,320, compared with £115,050,288 during the same period last year and the expenditure £729,976,677, compared with £671,286,778.

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GERMAN POTATO RATION REDUCED.

AMSTERDAM, June 30.

PRISONERS OF WAR CONFERENCE.

BRITISH CIVILIANS FROM GERMAN INTERRED IN HOLLAND.

TO BE INCLUDED IN AGREEMENT.

AMSTERDAM, June 30.

Sir George Cave, House Secretary, and one of the British representatives at the British and German Prisoners of War Conference, in an interview, said he hoped that the Naval Division men and British civilians from Germany interred in Holland would be included in any agreement for the exchange of prisoners. He anticipated that the Conference would conclude shortly.

ROYAL SILVER WEDDING.

WOMEN WAR-WORKERS' HOMAGE.

STRIKING SPECTACLE AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE.

LONDON, June 29.

Three thousand women war-workers made a procession to London today and presented an address of homage to their Majesties the King and Queen on the occasion of their Silver Wedding. No fewer than 25 different uniforms were worn, presenting a remarkable and striking spectacle as well as testifying to the wonderful part British women have come to play in the winning of the war.

The King, addressing them at Buckingham Palace, paid a warm tribute to their splendid services and hoped that their labour might soon have its reward in a decisive victory and an enduring peace. He wished them Godspeed.

AIMS OF SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONALISTS.

HEITZGOW'S WARNING AGAINST VIOLENCE.

JOHANNESBURG, June 29.

Dr. Heitzgow in a speech reiterated his warning against violence, and declared that all that the Nationalists were seeking could and would be achieved by constitutional means alone. South Africa had enough of armed protests and unarmed rebellions. Nothing was to be feared in Orange Free State. He hoped that the Transvaal was imbued with the same spirit.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

MORE PRISONERS CAPTURED.

LONDON, June 29.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—
We captured over 400 prisoners in Friday's successful operation eastward of Nieppe Forest. This does not include those captured westward of Meris. Two field guns and a number of machine-guns and trench-mortars were captured.

There is active hostile artillery firing opposite Vaire Wood, southward of the Somme and westward of Feuchy, also increased feigning artillery firing in the Nieppe Forest sector.

IMPORTANT RESULT ACHIEVED.

PARIS, June 29.

A semi-official message states:—
The successful French attack, called earlier, enables the strengthening of the defence against any hostile attempt to surround the Forest of Villers Cottet towards Compiègne from the north. By pushing back the enemy line one kilometre east of Nieppe Forest the British advance, called on June 22, will have an important result in preventing any attempted German infiltration.

A BATTLE OF TANKS?

LONDON, June 29.

Correspondents on the British front commenting on the increase in the number and variety of Tanks, predict that we shall soon see a pitched battle of Tanks.

SUCCESSFUL FRENCH ATTACK.

LONDON, June 29.

Reuter's Correspondent at the French Headquarters, writing yesterday, says:—
The advance made by the French this morning was between the Aisne and the Villers Cottet Forest, along the valley separating the Montigny and Dommeux Plateaux. The attack was made on a front of 2½ miles, the objective being the capture of a number of points which might be useful to the enemy in every fresh offensive, chiefly in the Rossonbas valley, 2½ miles south of the Aisne, and two miles farther south below the crest of the eastern wall of the Valley. Outposts advanced 1½ miles in the morning and attained most of the objectives in 14 hours, including Hill 162, covering 500 feet high, overlooking St. Pierre Aisne and Dommeux.

The German artillery was dominated by our guns.

THE PENDING BLOW.

GERMAN GENERALS' BRAG.

AMSTERDAM, June 29.
General Liebert writes to the *Tagliche Rundschau* "It will not be long before another blow of the German hammer falls and the Entente will again be surprised when once more it falls precisely where they new do not expect." He also says we must familiarise ourselves with the painful thought that our Allies were unable to carry through the assaults across the Plateau which was so badly and dashingly begun.

ANOTHER FRENCH SUCCESS.

LONDON, June 30.

A French communiqué says:—
We, in raids, notably west of Hangard and south of Autrech, brought back prisoners. South of the Ourey in a local operation we captured at ten last evening the crest between Moisy and Passy-en-Vallée, thus advancing 800 metres on a front of three kilometres. We took 275 prisoners including three officers.

AMERICANS IMPROVE THEIR POSITIONS.

LONDON, June 29.

An American official message says:—
We again improved our positions southward of Torcy. The prisoners taken in the operation of the 22nd new number 309.

THE GERMAN REPORT.

LONDON, June 29.

A wireless German official message states:—
Three British assaults against Meris broke down. The enemy penetrated Vieux Berquin, but was thrown back by a counter-attack. We repulsed the French near Ambleny, but they gained ground beyond Cutry. Our counter-attacks threw them back on the heights on both sides of Cutry.

AIR-RAID ON PARIS.

PARIS, June 29.

An official message says:—
The air raid was made at 11.30, last night. Bombs were dropped but there were no casualties. The "all clear" signal was announced at 12.30.

THE DEFENCES OF PARIS.

PARIS, June 29.

Newspapers criticising the anti-aircraft defence of the capital point out that even the most intense barrage rarely brings down enemies who descend low after penetrating. Numerous suggestions are made to improve the defences, including the mounting of machine-guns on monuments, creating a luminous zone and separate zones for guns and aeroplanes. Heavier reprisals against Frankfurt, Coblenz and Cologne are also demanded.

THE AUSTRIAN LOSSES IN ITALY.

EFFORT TO MINIMISE TOTAL.

LONDON, June 30.

An official telegram from Vienna seeks to minimise the Austrian losses in the recent offensive which the Hungarian Premier, Herr Wekerle, is reported to have declared in the Lower House to be 100,000.

The telegram explains that Herr Wekerle's figures are due to a telephonic error. The losses were less than those of the tenth and eleventh Isonzo battles, which amounted to from eighty to a hundred thousand. Moreover the losses covered the whole period from the 10th to the 20th, and included sick.

AUSTRIAN DEFENCE MINISTER'S EXCUSE.

The Hungarian Minister of Defence, replying in the Lower House to criticism of the operations in Italy, said that nobody could have foretold the storm, which have been so tremendous, and the river swell, so a retreat was ordered according to plan.

HUNGARIAN PREMIER'S STATEMENT.

AMSTERDAM, June 30.

The Hungarian Premier in a remarkable speech in the Lower House of the Hungarian Parliament, said:—
"In the course from the Pavia 12,000 prisoners fell into Italian hands and much more and is the loss we suffered in dead, wounded and sick. In the tenth and eleventh Italian offensives we lost between 80,000 and 100,000 men but now, however, our losses are similarly about 100,000."

Regarding the rumours that Hungarian troops were again called upon in excessively large numbers so that the losses would only fall upon them, he would point out that 33 Hungarian and 37 Austrian regiments participated in the entire offensive and the retreat, that is 47 per cent. Hungarians and 53 per cent. Austrians.

Continuing, the Premier said:—
"In the advance and retreat the last line has lost 150,000 men, thus far, spreading over 100 miles. Rumours have been circulated that our losses were caused by lack of ammunition but our army was never so well provided with ammunition as in the middle of June. Three bridges across the Pavia were unfortunately carried away, whereby transporting ammunition and provisions. The retreat was carried out according to plan in such an orderly and unobscured manner that the Italians did not observe it, but still continued their attack. Despite these regrettable events it is not doubted that the important losses on the Italian and prevented them sending a considerable

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part of their troops to the Western Front which, in the interest of a common carrying on of the war, is without doubt, the objective which is also our duty to attain and did attain."

THE NEW LABOUR EXECUTIVE.

PACIFISTS VASTLY IN MINORITY.

LONDON, June 29.

A new Labour Executive was elected yesterday under a new constitution. It consists of 24 members, 16 of whom are pacifists, 8 are war supporters, but the additional members are mainly Socialists, thus increasing the pacifist section. It is noteworthy that the Minister, Mr. J. B. Clynes, has been returned at the head of the poll with over two million votes, being 400,000 more than the nearest competitor. The new chairman, Mr. James Murray, of the Lancashire and Cheshire Miners' Federation, is a determined supporter of the war policy.

PEOPLE EATING GRASS.

AMSTERDAM, June 30.

The Jewish Correspondence Bureau publishes a letter graphically describing the terrible famine in Northern Palestine. It says that owing to Turkish requisitions prices of foodstuffs are extortionate, all shops are closed and many die of hunger in the streets. The people eat the grass growing on the graves and hundreds of orphans are wandering naked and famished.

MEXICAN OIL LANDS.

AMERICAN PROTEST PUBLISHED.

WASHINGTON, June 30.

The State Department has published a solemn protest sent to General Carranza against the Mexican decree of 19th Feb. establishing a tax on oil lands.

Publication was only decided upon when it was learned that Mexican newspapers, after printing President Wilson's speech to the Mexican Congress, almost immediately published the text of the United States oil decree, with comment declaring that it was inconsistent with the President's speech.

The State Department says:—
"It is usual for friendly governments to ask permission before publishing such documents. It declares that the Mexican tax practically amounts to expropriation in which the United States cannot acquiesce."

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

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THE ROYAL SILVER WEDDING.

WOMEN WORKERS' HOMAGE.

Three thousand women workers marched to Buckingham Palace to present an address of homage to Their Majesties the King and Queen as the women's present at the Silver Wedding. The King replied warmly paying a tribute to women's services during the war and adding, "I trust the procession to-day will bring home to those who have not yet realised it the country's need of their help."

THE IRISH PROBLEM.

THE FEDERAL DEVOLUTION QUESTION.

London, June 30. The Press Bureau publishes a report of the proceedings of the deputations of all parties except the Irish, which urged the case of Federal devolution to Mr. Lloyd George, who was accompanied by Mr. Barrow, General Smuts, Mr. Chamberlain, Mr. Long, Dr. Addison, Mr. Fisher and Mr. Shortt. Lord Brancey, Lord Selbourne, Sir Wm. Robertson and Mr. Adamson were among the spokesmen of the deputations.

Mr. Adamson, while in favour of devolution, said the Labour Party would not acquiesce in an attempt to establish a federal form of Government being made the excuse for hanging up Home Rule for Ireland. He believed that unless the Irish difficulty was settled quickly they should either resign Ireland or in the near future to bring to the settlement other forces than the two sections of the British people.

Mr. Lloyd George replying said he had always been a strong federalist. He realised the impossibility of Parliament dealing adequately with post-war problems if it was simultaneously taxed with local affairs, but it was impossible to carry such a measure during war without something like general assent. There was no doubt about opinion in Scotland and Wales, but opinion in England was not clear and that really mattered. It was really a question for the English constituencies. Other special difficulties included the question of Ulster, on which the deputations' view was not clear. He would not like to predict how far devolution would help to solve the Irish question.

The national conscience must be eased. Both Unionists and Home Rulers had an uneasy feeling that the best was being done for the country. But if the scheme proposed giving equal treatment to Ireland, England, Scotland and Wales, we could say to Irishmen, "We are giving you exactly what we are taking ourselves. What is good enough for us ought to be good enough for you." That would satisfy the Dominions who are convinced that we are treating Ireland unfairly and tactlessly by not giving her the freedom which is her due. That certainly is the feeling in America. He had received letters every day during the last few days from prominent pro-English Americans who were most unhappy that the Irish question was unsolved and therefore he was glad they were promoting a solution which would ultimately give some satisfaction as being fair, just and business-like.

THE BIG OFFENSIVES.

London, June 29. A well informed source confirms the message from Rotterdam regarding the impending German offensive being probably in the northern sector, while subsidiary attacks elsewhere are likely. The Italians are not likely to launch further great counter attacks as the difficulties would be very great, but it will be long before the Austrian army has recovered sufficiently to resume the offensive.

EFFECTIVE WORK BY AEROPLANES.

London, June 29. The Air Ministry states: The enemy aerodrome at Fresney was attacked on the evening of June 28. Bursts were not observed owing to bad visibility. We very successfully attacked the Radische Amine Soda-works at Mannheim yesterday despite unfavourable weather and dropped many heavy bombs. Six bursts were observed on the factory. Five hostile machines attacked our formation over the objective, but we drove down three, two of them being out of control. All our machines returned.

NAVAL ENGAGEMENT OFF BELGIAN COAST.

London, June 29. The Admiralty announces that four British destroyers, patrolling off the Belgian coast on the evening of the 27th, sighted eight enemy torpedo boats. The British destroyers went full speed on an easterly course and engaged the enemy in a long range action lasting for fifteen minutes. Three more torpedo boats joined the enemy whereupon the British left back on their support. The enemy did not follow and the action was broken off. The British vessels were not damaged.

GERMAN GASSING METHOD A FAILURE.

AMSTERDAM, June 29.

The *Kölnische Volkszeitung* suggests that besides bad weather, treachery was responsible for the Austrian failure on the Piave and quotes the official Vienna *Reichspost* for the statement "that German gassing methods are a failure."

A SHINING AUGURY OF FINAL TRIUMPH.

ROME, June 29.

King Emmanuel in an Army Order congratulates the troops on the brilliant victory on the Piave, which, His Majesty says, is a shining augury of final triumph.

CZECHO-SLOVAK TROOPS IN FRANCE.

PARIS, June 30.

In presenting colours to the Czecho-Slovak troops in France, President Poincaré hoped they would soon be reinforced by the heroic Czech legions which had cut their way through Siberia from Ukraine.

UNITED STATES AND THE SLAV QUESTION.

WASHINGTON, June 29.

Mr. Lansing in a statement points out that German and Austrian officials and sympathisers have sought to misrepresent the United States Government statement of June 29 as regards the interests of the Czecho-Slovaks and Jugos-Slavs and therefore Mr. Lansing now defines the position of the Government to be that all branches of the Slav race should be completely freed from German and Austrian rule.

THE EX-TSAR SAFE.

BARCELONA, June 29.

Newspapers state that the Count of Darmstadt has been informed by the Russian Ambassador in Berlin that the ex-Tsar is safe.

RUMANIA'S HARVEST A COMPLETE FAILURE.

AMSTERDAM, June 29.

In the Reichstag the Progressive Deputy, Herr Goltzheim, stated that the Rumanian harvest would be a complete failure owing to the war and bad weather.

THE WAR PRISONERS EXCHANGE QUESTION.

LONDON, June 29.

Sir George Cave, interviewed, stated that he did not anticipate much difficulty in coming to an arrangement regarding a treaty on the war prisoners question. Exchange was more difficult but he still hoped to arrive at reasonable terms.

WAR BONUS FOR MINERS.

LONDON, June 29.

At a Conference of the Executive of the Miners' Federation the Premier, the President of the Board of Trade and the Coal Controller conceded the miners an advance of eighteen pence daily as a war bonus.

HERR KUEHLHANN'S SPEECH.

DRAFTED AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE KAISER.

London, June 29. The "Times" correspondent at The Hague says: Herr Kuehlmann's first speech in the Reichstag was drafted after consultation with Main Headquarters and the Kaiser, who approved it, as also did Count Hertling.

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, June 27.

The Silver Market is steady. Messrs. Montagu and Co. report that the price of silver is still unchanged. The tone continues good. Shanghai exchange has risen sharply to 4s. 8½d. per tael.

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HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Orders for Artillery Company by Capt. J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D.

PARADES AT BELCHERS BATTERY.

Thursday, 4th July - 5.15 p.m. - Left Half Coy. Now Layern's Class only.
Friday, 5th July - 7.30 a.m. - Right Half Coy. Full drill.
5.15 p.m. - Left Half Coy. Full drill.

Orders for Engineer Company by Captain W. Russell.

23rd June to 4th July -

E. L. MANNING NIGHTLY.

Parades as per posters posted at Headquarters. Engine drivers at 6.45 p.m. Electricians at 7.00 p.m.

OFFICIALS NEXT JOB DUTY.

Belchers, Lieut. Hall; Lieutenants, 2nd

Lieut. Hilly; Subalterns, Lieut. Steven-

son.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR HIGHER RATINGS AND

N.C.O.s AND MEN OF THE INFANTRY

BATTALION ATTACHED FOR DUTY.

Class 1, at Belchers, at 8.30 p.m. on

Mondays and Thursdays for all who have

not passed the "Proficient" rate (1/-)

examination.

Class 2, at Belchers, at 8.30 p.m. on

Tuesdays and Fridays for all N.C.O.s

and men of higher ratings, under Staff

Sergeants, Overland and Parsons, R.E.; and

Sergeant, D. H. K. D.C.

Class 3, at Lieutenants, at 8.30 p.m. on

Tuesdays and Fridays, under Staff

Sergeants, Barclay and White, R.E.; and

Sergeant, Williams, E.L.K.D.C.

Details of Belchers' Relief for July,

1918, is posted at Headquarters for in-

formation of all concerned.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by

Major H. A. Morgan.

PARADES.

Friday, 5th July -

5.30 p.m. - Nos. 3 and 4 Platoons on

Murray Parade Ground. T.E.T.

Dress, drill order with pouches.

No. 1 Platoon will parade during the

week for T.E.T. as ordered by

Platoon Sergeant.

Saturday, 6th July -

5.30 p.m. - N.C.O.s of No. 7 Platoon

(as detailed by Platoon Commander)

at Headquarters. T.E.T.

Sunday, 7th July -

5.30 p.m. - N.C.O.s of No. 7 Platoon

(as detailed by Platoon Commander)

at Headquarters. T.E.T.

Monday, 8th July -

5.30 p.m. - N.C.O.s of No. 7 Platoon

(as detailed by Platoon Commander)

at Headquarters. T.E.T.

Tuesday, 9th July -

5.30 p.m. - N.C.O.s of No. 7 Platoon

(as detailed by Platoon Commander)

at Headquarters. T.E.T.

Wednesday, 10th July -

5.30 p.m. - N.C.O.s of No. 7 Platoon

(as detailed by Platoon Commander)

at Headquarters. T.E.T.

Thursday, 11th July -

5.30 p.m. - N.C.O.s of No. 7 Platoon

(as detailed by Platoon Commander)

at Headquarters. T.E.T.

Friday, 12th July -

5.30 p.m. - N.C.O.s of No. 7 Platoon

(as detailed by Platoon Commander)

at Headquarters. T.E.T.

Saturday, 13th July -

5.30 p.m. - N.C.O.s of No. 7 Platoon

(as detailed by Platoon Commander)

at Headquarters. T.E.T.

Sunday, 14th July -

5.30 p.m. - N.C.O.s of No. 7 Platoon

(as detailed by Platoon Commander)

at Headquarters. T.E.T.

Monday, 15th July -

5.30 p.m. - N.C.O.s of No. 7 Platoon

(as detailed by Platoon Commander)

at Headquarters. T.E.T.

Tuesday, 16th July -

5.30 p.m. - N.C.O.s of No. 7 Platoon

(as detailed by Platoon Commander)

at Headquarters. T.E.T.

Unbearable Itching Spread Over Head Healed By Cuticura

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WEATHER REPORT.

July 2nd, 1918. - Owing to the lack of telegraphic returns this morning, it is impossible to summarise pressure change and distribution. No weather map will be issued.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours

ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 3.72 inch.

Total since January 1st, 41.39 inches,

against an average of 39.98 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at